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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patent Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the first office action, mailed March 30, 1999 in respect to this application. This Response is being filed within the third month after the three month shortened statutory period for response set in the office action. A separate petition and fee for a three month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 30, 1999, is filed

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